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BUSY SESSION OF THE STATE GRANGE

Old Officers Re-elected--Resolutions Are Adopted and Many Important Reports Received

The second day of the New Hampshire State Grange at Keene was a busy session, with the receipts of important reports, adoption of resolutions, exemplification of the unwritten work and the conferring of the sixth degree on 300 candidates, along with the election of officers kept the officers and delegates on the move.

The following officers were re-elected:

Master, Wesley Adams of Derry. Overseer, Andrew J. Peltier of Meriden Center.

Lecturer, Charles W. Varney of Rochester.

Steward, George L. Flanders of Warner.

Ass't. Steward, James C. Farmer of South Newbury.

Chaplain, Horace F. Hoyt, of Peterborough.

Treasurer, Joseph D. Roberts of Dover.

Secretary, George R. Drake of Manchester.

Gate-keeper, Harvey D. Corey of Lisbon.

Ceres, Mrs. Mabel M. N. Adams of Derry.

Pionona, Mrs. A. Lizzie Sargent of Concord.

Flora, Mrs. Nellie G. Lake of Brentwood.

Lady Ass't. Steward, Mrs. Lillian Pease Cooper of Rochester.

The executive committee named this afternoon, included Secretary George R. Drake of Manchester and Master Wesley Adams of Derry; ex-officio, Richard Pattee of Laconia, three years; and John E. Eastman of North Haverhill, two years.

The committee on revision of by-laws reported a few minor changes, and with these the present code was re-adopted for the state, pionona and subordinate granges.

One of the interesting reports submitted was that made by Wesley Adams and Richard Pattee of the legislative committee in which was a sum-

mary of what had been done and had been attempted at the last legislature.

Richard Pattee, chairman of the committee on resolutions, submitted the following, dealing with highway departments:

"Whereas the national and state grange have repeatedly favored the pay-as-you-go plan of highway development and improvement,

"Resolved that the state grange of New Hampshire re-affirms its position and emphatically demand that highway improvement in New Hampshire be undertaken only as it can be paid for without the creation of public debt."

Mr. Pattee also offered the following dealing with the proposed increase of the railway rates on milk and cream:

"Whereas the railroads of New England have announced their intention to greatly increase the charge for carrying milk and cream by a readjustment of freight rates;

"Whereas, such increase is more likely to be taken from the amount received by the farmer than added to the price paid by middlemen or consumers;

"Whereas, the price now received by farmers for milk and cream is too little and should not be reduced.

"Resolved, That the New Hampshire State grange hereby protest against any revision of transportation charges that will reduce the amount received by New Hampshire farmers for these dairy products.

"Resolved, That the master and executive committee be instructed to take such action as will protect the interests of the dairymen of our state in the proposed revision of methods and rates for handling milk and cream."

Home made ribbon candy with pure flavors in two pound boxes, 25c. Parks Bros., Congress street, Tel. 29.

AUSTRIA WILL GIVE IN TO U. S. DEMANDS

Emperor Francis Joseph Has Ordered That Demands Be Granted--Ambassador Penfield Confident That There Will Not Be a Diplomatic Break

(Special to The Herald)

The Hague, Dec. 23.—Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria-Hungary has taken the steps necessary to prevent a break in the diplomatic relation between his country and the United States, says a message from Vienna by a neutral diplomatic who has been afforded exceptional communication with both the Austrian and German capitals. The aged emperor has instructed Burlan, his foreign minister, to grant the demands of the United States. The message continues,

"He wishes the world to understand that Austria is not at odds with America over the principle of humanity involved in the destruction of the Anconia, but the issue of one of the facts and that the facts presented by the United States will be accepted."

Washington, Dec. 23.—Ambassador Penfield at Vienna cables the State Department today that he had delivered Secretary Lansing's second note on the Anconia case to the Austrian foreign office at 6 o'clock Tuesday night. It is from Frye.

understood that he stated also that Austria has promised a speedy reply. It was stated on reliable authority that the ambassador had indicated that there was a more hopeful feeling in Vienna and that it would be possible to settle the question at issue without any break in the diplomatic relations between the two countries. Until the Anconia matter is disposed of the State Department will withhold publication of the latest German note dealing with the sinking of the American ship.

London, Dec. 23.—Additional details about the sinking of the Japanese liner Yasaki Maru on Tuesday received here today, show: First, the vessel was sunk without warning; second, that there was one American on board. Dispatches received in Paris from Malta on Wednesday said that the submarine was of German nationality. If this is true Germany has apparently broken her promise to the United States not to sink any more passenger ships without warning. The agents of the ship's owner at Port

AN AMERICAN ON THE YASAKI MARU

Japanese Liner Sunk By a German Submarine Without Warning--Cargo Valued at \$5,000,000--U. S. May Become Involved

(Special to The Herald)

Paris, Dec. 23.—The sinking of the Japanese liner Yasaki Maru in the Mediterranean by a Teutonic submarine resulted in the biggest monetary loss that has resulted from the sinking of any ship since the war began. The cargo alone was valued at five million dollars and it was insured by the Japanese government against loss.

Said report that there were 120 passengers and a crew of 160 on the ship which when destroyed was on her way from London to a Japanese port. Among the passengers was W. J. Leigh, an American. He as well as all of the others were saved. The passengers were picked up by a French gunboat and landed in Port Said.

Washington, Dec. 23.—State Department officials were gravely concerned this afternoon over the report that an American citizen was aboard the Japanese liner Yasaki Maru sunk by a German submarine in the Mediterranean. It is expected that Ambassador Page will send a report as soon as he can get the facts from some official source.

Tokio, Dec. 23.—Great excitement was caused here today when news was received of the destruction of the Japanese liner Yasaki Maru by a German submarine.

GROUND IS DRENCHED WITH SHELLS

Greatest Artillery Duel of the War Has Been Going on for a Week in Flanders.

(Special to The Herald)

Paris Dec. 23.—For a week the mightiest duel of the war has been raging in Flanders from the North Sea to the Armies. The ground rocked and roared beneath the shattering fire of heavy German, British, Belgian and

French guns. With only a few hours' respite in the dead of night, the artillery has literally drenched the ground with hundreds of thousands of shells of every calibre. Ypres, the ghost of what was a beautiful city, has again been raked by the fire of the big German guns.

THE WEATHER

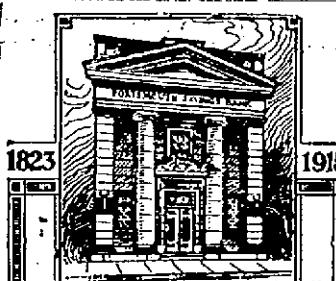
Forecast for Portsmouth and vicinity—Probable rain or snow tonight and Friday.

Sun Rises..... 7.10
Sun Sets..... 4.16
Length of Day..... 9.06
High Tide..... 1.21 a.m., 1.27 p.m.
Moon Rises..... 6.14 p.m.
Light Automobile Lamps at..... 4.46 p.m.

VILLA TO ARRIVE IN NEW ORLEANS TODAY

Noted Mexican Leader to Hold Conference With U. S. Officials.

New Orleans, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Villa who arrived here early today said that General Villa will reach New Orleans at noon. The Mexican revolutionist will confer with state department representatives here.



YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFT

If you are in any doubt regarding the most practical, acceptable Christmas gift, you can make no mistake by opening a Savings Account of one dollar or more for the benefit of the person you wish to remember.

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STATE DEPARTMENT NOT SURE OF AUSTRIA

Col. House Will Not Visit Vienna Unless Relations Are Better Than Now.

RUSSIA HAS NOT INVADED VARNA

Report of Invasion Came From Small Engagement Off the Varna Harbor.

(Special to The Herald)

London, Dec. 23.—Reports that Russian troops have invaded Bulgaria at Varna have come to naught. The report on Tuesday that Varna had been bombarded by a Russian fleet is probably explained by the following telegram from Petrograd. On Tuesday two small Russian torpedo boats chased a Bulgarian destroyer into the harbor of Varna. Coast artillery opened fire on the Russian ships, but they escaped undamaged. Afterwards the Russian ships came upon two Turkish ships and sank them.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC PROGRAMS
All programs for the Christmas music should be sent in by musical directors this evening or early tomorrow morning for publication in The Herald of Friday afternoon, and Saturday's Chronicle.

FREEPORT, ME., HAS \$25,000 FIRE

One Fireman and Two Boys Injured in Dangerous Fire.

(Special to The Herald)

Freeport, Dec. 23.—One fireman was dangerously hurt and two boys were cut down ladders to safety in the course of a fire which did \$12,000 damage to the Soule block on Main street early today. John Griffiths was on a ladder 25 feet above the ground with a hose, when the roof of the building collapsed, and Griffiths was thrown from the ladder and sustained a broken hip and apparently internal injuries.

MARTIAL LAW TO BE DECLARED IN GREECE

(Special to The Herald)

Rome, Dec. 23.—Martial law will be declared in Greece tomorrow, according to an Athens dispatch to the Tribune.

ONLY ONE DAY MORE

You may have forgotten something, if so make your selection from the following list.

FOR WOMEN

Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Hosiery, Umbrellas, Neckwear, Jewelry, Hand Bags, Manicure Sets, Toilet Sets, Aprons, Furs, Undermuslins, Sweaters, Stationery, Books, Rings.

FOR MEN

Military Brushes, Traveling Cases, Suspenders, Combination Sets, Ties, Shaving Sets, Tie Racks, Pipe Racks, Umbrellas, Stationery, Books.

FOR THE LITTLE ONES

Dolls, Dolls' Beds, Tea Sets, Stationery, Books.

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Everyone in the family appreciates a good book. We have books for girls, boys, men and women. During your shopping hours spare a few moments to look over our assortment of books.

FOR GIRLS we have the Ruth Fielding, Motor Maids, Girl Aviator and Automobile Girl Series for 25c each; the Motor Girls, Molly Brown, Aunt Jane's Nieces, Dorothy Dale and Corner House Girl Series at 50c each.

FOR BOYS we have the Boy Scouts, Bungalow Boys, Motor Rangers, Ocean Wireless Boy Series for 25c each; The Motor Boys, Rover Boys, Bobby Blake, and Baseball Joe Series for 50c each.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS of all kinds, linen covered and story styles, 10c, 25c, and 50c.

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A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF TOYS AND DOLLS IN THE BASEMENT

NAVY POLICY IS TOO WEAK

H. A. Wood Resigns From Naval Consulting Board So He May Be Free to Attack Policy.

New York, Dec. 22.—Henry A. Wise Wood, representative of the American Society of Aeronautical Engineers, today announced his resignation as a member of the Naval Consulting Board recently appointed by Secretary of the Navy Daniels.

The action was taken, he said, because he disapproves as inadequate for the country's defense the naval programme proposed by the administration. He will continue, however, to serve as a consultant to members of the board.

Mr. Wood says in his letter of resignation to Secretary Daniels that he has retired "in order that I shall be free to attack the thoroughly inadequate and therefore dangerously weak naval policy of the administration as expressed in Secretary Garrison's and your own recommendations and to urge publicly that the recommendations of the General Board of the Navy and General Staff of the army is contained in their original reports be substituted therefore."

"Our homes, our people, our institutions and our rights are worthy of preservation of all they are entitled to the most impregnable safeguards which trained men can devise and our enormous wealth create."

After outlining the way in which he declares, the original programme of the General Board of the Navy submitted to the administration last July was weakened by the substitution of another and "less adequate programme" Mr. Wood says:

"Thus the administration offers us neither enough strength at sea to resist them nor the fleet of the foremost powers, nor enough strength, ashore to prevent the successful landing of the armies of such nations, for which their superior navies could easily clear the way."

Mr. Wood is chairman of the conference committee on national preparedness, composed of nine organizations working for national defense.

STRIPPING MAX. NOT TO GET HIS PARDON

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 22.—Thomas Ed-

gar Stripping, who was sentenced to life imprisonment in 1897, escaped from jail and during his 14 years of freedom became chief of police of Danville, Va., probably will not receive his expected Christmas pardon from Gov. Harris. He has been in prison in Georgia since his identity was discovered in 1911.

Gov. Harris said last July that he would free Stripping and intimated he would do it before this Christmas, but the records in the case are in the hands of the Brigadier Commission and have not been turned over to Gov. Harris.

KITTERY POINT

There will be a concert and Christmas tree given by the Sunday school at the First Congregational church on Friday evening at 7 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Woodard of Kittery were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carter of Bartlett road.

Mrs. L. E. D. Seeger of Crockett's Neck road had the misfortune to sprain her ankle on Wednesday. Dr. E. R. Sharpleigh was called in attendance.

Mrs. Bradford Perkins of Bartlett road was the recent guest of Mrs. Grace Small of Portsmouth.

Mrs. Oliver Frisbee of Portsmouth was the guest of friends in town on Wednesday.

Mrs. Nelson Moulton of Portsmouth visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Prinett on Wednesday.

The Jolly Twelve Whist Club was pleasantly entertained by Mrs. Edward Halline on Wednesday afternoon. Favors were awarded Mrs. Amos Ainslie, Mrs. Fred Chase and Mrs. Halline.

Ladies' 50c and \$1.00 silk hose, also nice \$1.00 hand bags will be found at Tooley's.

Granville O. Berry has recently installed a telephone in his home.

There will be a final rehearsal for the Christmas mso held at the First Christian church this evening.

Mrs. Ralph Stewart is visiting her sister Mrs. Claude Colby of North Kittery.

La E. D. Seeger is having a few days off from his duties at the navy yard.

George Colby recently visited his mother in York. Mrs. Colby is quite ill at her home there. She was until recently a resident of this place.

Mrs. Charles Clark was a visitor out of town on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Gray and son John Jr., left this morning for Gullport. Miss. Mrs. Gray was honorably discharged from the U. S. Navy on Dec. 20, after serving five years as a man-

TED LEWIS, SENSATIONAL ENGLISH FIGHTER,
TO TEST HIS SKILL AGAINST WILLIE RITCHIE.



TED LEWIS

GREECE WILL HAVE A NEW PREMIER

By Will N. Smith
Gounaris, Head of Neutrality Party, Will Shortly Take Charge.

(Special to The Herald)

Berlin, via Amsterdam, Dec. 23.—Premier Skoutoudis of Greece will shortly resign and he will be succeeded by Premier Gounaris, head of the neutrality party, according to a dispatch from Athens.

KITTERY

There will be Christmas entertainments and trees at the First and Second Methodist and Second Christian churches on Friday evening. The exercises at the Second Methodist begin at 6 o'clock and the others at 7 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Brackett of Love Lane returned from Portland today where they have been attending a session of Maine state grange.

Leslie Peasley is enjoying a vacation from his duties at the navy yard which he is passing at his home in Saco.

There will be no meeting of the study classes of the Y. M. C. A. on Friday evening.

All children taking part in the Christmas entertainment at the Second Christian church are requested to attend the rehearsals at two o'clock on Friday afternoon in the vestry.

Bradybury Fernald of Newson ave. left today for Portland where he will stop a few days with friends and then proceed to Boston to pass the holiday.

Miss Sadie Bowden of the Intervene is passing Christmas week with her aunt, Mrs. D. H. McIntosh of Portsmouth.

Miss Bertha Bridges has returned to her home on the Post road after passing two weeks at Kittery Point in attendance upon Mrs. Nelson Moulton. Miss Lillian Goodrich of Rogers road returned today from Portland where she has been attending a session of the Maine State grange.

Jesse L. Philbrick of Wentworth Institute, Boston, has arrived in town to pass the holidays with his aunt, Mr. and Mrs. George N. Crowell of Rice avenue.

Mrs. Inn Averill of Eliot has been a recent guest of Mrs. Edwin Blatchell of Walker's Crossing.

Mrs. Ida Marshall of Stimpson street is passing a few days in York.

Mrs. Arthur Baker and daughter Doris who have been confined to the house the past few days by severe colds are improving.

Miss Emma Gerry of North Kittery is passing a few weeks with her cousin Miss Annie Hanscom of Portsmouth.

Adelbert Maby has returned to New York after passing several months in town with his brother, Fred W. Maby and family of Love Lane.

Miss Anna Blaisdell of York has been a recent visitor in town.

Miss Esther Rogers, a teacher in the Pawtucket, R. I., schools has arrived to pass the Christmas recess with her sister, Miss Mary Rogers of Rogers road.

Mr. and Mrs. McEntire of York were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Waller of Walker's Crossing on Wednesday.

Mrs. J. Harvey Pitts of Harrison, Me., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary Rounds of Rogers road.

MAINE GRANGE ELECTS OFFICERS

Two Ballots on Master, But No Choice—Others Chosen.

Portland, Me., Dec. 22.—Two ballots without choice of the state worthy master was taken today of the state grange Patrons of Husbandry.

C. O. Purington of Lowdownham and D. E. Posler of Augusta were re-elected state lecturer and state steward respectively. E. H. Libby of Auburn was re-elected secretary on the first ballot. E. D. Additon of Greene and A. E. Norse of South Paris were re-elected treasurer and chaplain respectively.

Other officers chosen were: Overseer, John E. Abbott, North Berwick; nestled, A. L. Roberts, Kennecook; floral, Mrs. W. J. Thompson, China coves; Mrs. C. O. Purington, Lewiston; Pomona, Mrs. J. E. Abbott, North Berwick; gatekeeper, E. H. Cushman, Staunton; asst. steward, Mrs. A. L. Roberts, Kennecook; executive committee, L. E. Tuttle, Caribou; E. M. Frye, Harrington.

A class of about one hundred took the fifth and sixth degrees this evening.

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If you can do anything that will make some poor kiddo a little happier, Christmas will seem a lot better to you.

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MORE AID EXPECTED AGAINST BULGARS

Germany Pretends to Think Greece and Roumania Will Join Teutons Now That Gallipoli Campaign is Over.

London, Dec. 22.—Germans pretend to think that the moral effect of the Allied defeat on the Gallipoli peninsula will be to swing Greece and Roumania to their side in the Balkan operations. If the news, however, of the bombardment of Varna is correct, Russia is likely to forestall any move in this direction. From several sources, all unofficial, London has heard of the bombardment of the Bulgarian port. Various despatches state that the Russian warships are accompanied by a fleet of transports which, according to the morning papers, already has landed a sufficient force to hold the town.

The withdrawal of British forces from the Gallipoli Peninsula, which evoked great enthusiasm in Berlin, is being used as a lever to force both Greece and Roumania to join the Central Powers, according to the Rotterdam correspondent of the Telegraph. Berlin's seizure of this opportunity to influence the neutral Balkan states is indicated, says the correspondent, by a semi-official German agency's statement which announces that the victory of the Turkish forces made a colossal impression in Greece and Roumania and the immediate clearing of the Balkan situation is to be expected.

"All doubtless have been converted," the statement says, and have reached the conviction that to join the Central Powers can only be to their advantage. At Berlin it is looked upon as a conclusion that after the illness of the Entente Powers and after the victory of Cavouris in the Greek elections the Greek military power will suffer no longer a foreign policy of adventure with Greek territory at Greece's cost."

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"In the Plezzo basin the enemy with the help of the fog, occupied one of our advanced positions in the direction of the Kovitina torrent and protected by a barrier of mines. On the night of Sunday, one of our infantry detachments by a surprise attack re-took the position before the enemy was able to explode any of his mines.

"On the rest of the front the situation is unchanged."

Russian Gain in Persia

London, Dec. 22.—It is announced from Tehran, according to a despatch received here from the Petrograd semi-official news agency, that the Russians have occupied the town of Kurn, eighty

miles southwest of Tehran after a great battle, in which the opposing forces were completely defeated.

Serb Government Accused

Berlin, by wireless to Sayville, Dec. 22.—"According to the Soho newspaper Dnevnich" says the Overseas News Agency today, "the former minister to Serbia M. Tchaprachoff, the Bulgarian Government holds proof in writing that the Serbian Government was a direct accomplice in the assassination of Archduke Francis Ferdinand at Sarajevo. The Bulgarian Government it was stated, will shortly publish the documents."

Bombard German Transport

Petrograd, Dec. 22.—The following communication was issued yesterday:

"Our aviators successfully bombarded the rear approaches to the enemy's positions in the Godzitschi-Konig region east of Svetlitzki, causing a panic among the convoys.

"On the Galician front, at Novo Alexine-Buczec and southeast of Zalechit, the enemy attempted to pass to the offensive with small detachments, but all his attempts were frustrated by our fire."

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**BOY-ED AND VON PAPEN INTERESTED IN
NEWSPAPER STORIES ABOUT THEMSELVES**



CAPTAINS BOY-ED (LEFT) AND VON PAPEN. (AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION)

Captains Boy-Ed and Von Papen, former naval and military attaches of the German embassy in Washington, respectively, will sail for Germany via Holland on Dec. 21 or 22, according to latest reports. In the meantime they are intensely interested in the developments following their recall at the request by the United States. In the picture, snapped in New York, Captain Boy-Ed is seen devouring a newspaper article accusing him of obtaining a naval report intended only for President Wilson and high American naval officials. The story was later denied in Washington and by the two German officers.

ORDERS TO SHOOT MEXICAN RIOTERS

Washington, Dec. 22.—American troops at El Paso, the war department announced today, have been given orders to "return vigorously any further deliberate firing" from the Mexican side of the border.

Gen. Pershing, in command at El Paso, has reported that the firing, which resulted late yesterday in the death of an American car inspector,

was the deliberate act of a squad of Mexicans who advanced half a mile east of the international bridge.

American troops, the report added, were covering the whole river front.

During the rioting in Juarez, the report said, there had been little firing, and none toward the American side.

Gen. Avila, who was in charge of the troops in Juarez, ordered several of the rioters shot, according to military reports from the border.

CHRISTMAS SHIP CARRIES CHEER TO PENIKESE LEOPERS

New Bedford, Dec. 22.—A "Christmas ship" laden with gifts for every patient at the leper colony at Penikese left here this morning for the bleak island in Buzzard's bay. The "ship" was the motor boat of Capt. Willis D. Raymond, who volunteered his services and the presents aboard were donated by two of the churches of New Bedford.

The packages contained candy and cake, mittens or stockings or caps, Christmas cards or books and other articles designed to bring something of cheer from the outside world to the little colony. The packages were consigned to Dr. Frank H. Parker and his wife and will be distributed by them on Christmas morning.

SEGREGATE SIX SNORING SOLDIERS

Washington, Dec. 22.—Because six of its 11 occupants snored and kept awake the five other sleepers not guilty of the habit, Sgt. Timothy Reardon, in charge of a squad room in the local barracks of the United States marine corps, has replaced the silent non-snoring members with marines from other squad rooms who snore sonorously and wonderfully.

"So they'll keep each other awake when they saw word and won't disturb the rest of some person not a member of their lodge," said Sgt. Reardon by way of explanation.

The new arrangement suits the 11 snorers perfectly and the five who vacated are pleased beyond measure.

CUTTER BRINGS IN TWO SICK

Boston, Dec. 22.—With two patients on board, one suffering from typhoid fever and the other from heart disease, the coast guard cutter Androscooggins arrived in this port today. The Androscooggins has been on hospital duty with the fishing fleets off Nova Scotia, and since her departure from Boston, Dec. 2, 21 sick or injured fishermen have been treated. The two patients brought in today were removed to the Marine Hospital at Chelsea. After taking on supplies the Androscooggins will leave in a few days for the fishing grounds.

OBSEQUIES

Joseph Hanson Hoyt

Funeral services of Mr. Joseph Hanson Hoyt were held at the home in Newington Wednesday afternoon at 1:30. Rev. Edward Hoble of Greenfield conducting the service. Interment took place in the family lot in Newington cemetery under direction of undertaker H. W. Nickerson. The following gentlemen acted as bearers: Mr. John Greenough, Mr. Fred Winn, Mr. Justin Rand, Mr. William Newell.

ARRESTED ON A LARCENY CHARGE AFTER WEDDING

LOCAL POLICE CAPTURE TWO
YOUNG MEN WANTED IN VALLEY
FALLS, R. I., FOR BREAKING
AND ENTERING.

Coming all the way from Valley Falls, R. I., to attend a wedding in this city yesterday and then being returned to the aforesaid Valley Falls today in charge of a police officer is the fate of Albert King, 21, and John Eastwood, 20, the two young men having been arrested yesterday afternoon on Water street by officer James Doherty of the Portsmouth Police force. The two men were arrested and held for the Valley Falls officers on telephone orders. King and Eastwood being wanted in the Rhode Island town on a charge of breaking entering and larceny.

Wednesday forenoon the police department of Valley Falls notified Marshal Hurley of the Portsmouth police that King and Eastwood were wanted there on a charge of larceny, breaking and entering a store in that town on Monday night \$60.00 in cash was reported to the police as being missing. King and Eastwood were suspected of having made the break and it was thought by the officers that they might be found in this city as a sister of one of the young men was being married here yesterday. A description of the two men was given the Marshal and Officer Doherty was sent out on the case.

The wedding was to take place in a house on Water street and Officer Doherty located the young men on the street outside the house after the ceremony. They admitted their identity but only a few dollars were found on them. Officers from Valley Falls will come here today to return them to the Rhode Island town.

Thomas F. Lynch was arrested yesterday on High street by officer Shanahan for the police of Canton, Mass., in which town he is wanted for larceny. Chief Flood of the Canton Police force came here yesterday and took Lynch back on the evening train. He will be arraigned in the Canton Municipal court today.

At the station at midnight two drunks, two lodgers and one arrested for begging were registered on the blotter.

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Portsmouth, N. H., Thursday, December 23, 1915.

Rural Slumming.

There is, as this paper has ventured to remark on more than one occasion, no end to the movements for the betterment of conditions, and now comes the latest in the form of a campaign to clean up the slums in the country districts. For years "slumming" by male and female workers has been under full headway in the cities, where much good has been accomplished, though slums have not been eradicated by any means.

And now it is planned to move on the country districts—"the rural slum, largely unknown, but potent for evil in the opinion of social and civic workers." The movement is to be discussed at the annual convention of the American Civic Association to be held in Washington the latter part of this month. The campaign is to be led by Prof. Frank A. Waugh of the Massachusetts Agricultural College. An investigation has been made by a committee which will report at the convention, and the belief of those interested in the movement is that there is practically as much need of this sort of work in the country districts as in the cities.

It is true that poverty, ignorance and vice are to be found in the rural sections, but as a rule the victims are so scattered that slumming will be a very different proposition from what it is in the cities. But without doubt those who are starting this campaign have taken these facts into consideration, and a movement that seems extremely ambitious and more or less impracticable may well be given an opportunity to show what it can do before the wisdom of it is too seriously questioned. That the workers will encounter serious obstacles is certain; but these are met with in all reform work and are to be accepted as a matter of course. It would seem that one of the greatest hindrances outside of the villages, will be the fact that the people it is hoped to reach are so scattered that it will be impossible to gather them in missions as is done in the cities, yet ways may be found for reaching them and improving their condition, and thereby the condition of the communities in which they live.

The movement will at least have the attraction of novelty and all right-minded men and women will hope for the best. There is certainly room for improvement, and for whatever good results from this ambitious undertaking the communities benefited will be duly grateful.

In the days before the Civil war the country had its slave states and free states, and it seems that some of the more zealous suffragists regard the conditions as somewhat similar now, the free states being those in which women have the ballot. It is said that some of them are planning to get out from under the yoke by migrating to the "free states," but the probability is that this movement will not take on large proportions. There are many things worth living for in the old home even if suffrage does not come quite as rapidly as desired.

The National Housewives' League is now under investigation, it being claimed that the accounts are mixed and that the leaders have been managing affairs and using the funds of the league as they saw fit. Such charges will be shocking to the housewives who have pinned their faith to the organization, but it is well that the facts should be known. If there has been crooked work on the part of some of the officers that is not necessarily a condemnation of the league, but improper methods cannot be eliminated too soon.

A great shortage of cottage cheese has been discovered and the price has soared accordingly. It is claimed that the cheese has been shipped to Europe, where there are chemists who know how to convert it into bullets. If the soldiers could be shot with it before it underwent the change they would not object to being hit squarely in the mouth.

A big distillery has been burned at Glasgow, Scotland, resulting in the loss of 12,000 casks of good old Scotch whiskey. This is a loss that will be bemoaned by certain elements in every part of the civilized world, with the possible exception of a few white spots on the American map.

Even the jitney must give the railroads the right of way. One was struck by a freight train on a crossing in Pennsylvania the other day and four persons were killed. Now will the proprietor of the jitney be held for damages?

Get the Christmas trees ready and see to it that the chimney passage ways are wide open.

CURRENT OPINION

United States Must Arm for War or Prepare For Destruction.

The way war events are now trending the United States stands to be involved in war. The American people will not suffer invasion without rising in their might, and they will not stand any more insults. They will demand the tools of battle, and if they do not get them the slaughter will be on the hands of the pacifists.

If you are not in favor of the United States getting its tools together what shall we do? The alternative is to destroy what little navy we have, disband our army and declare to the world that we will not under any circumstances fight.

If you imagine the American people will disarm you do not know the American people. The instant a hostile army lands the people will demand absolutely that they be permitted to fight. And you will too. You who applauded will be rushing to the front as the French Socialists did.

If you say to me that the dangers of militarism are great I will answer that the dangers of unpreparedness today are greater. Either prepare or face destruction.—By Charles Edward Russell, Noted Socialist.

NAVY YARD NOTES

Naval Orders

Mr. Limit: H. D. McHenry, the Tennessee Jan. 3, to connection fitting out the Nevada and on board when commissioned.

Lieut. R. E. Hammes, the Minnesota to the Tennessee.

Lieut. L. P. Wenzell, the Minnesota to the Tennessee.

Ensign J. H. Rockwell, F. C. Hunter, M. J. Wallace, the North Carolina to the Tennessee.

Ensign G. M. Steele, naval training station, Jan. 13, to the Tennessee.

Chief Boatswain J. Law, receiving ship at New York, January 10 to the Wisconsin.

Chief Gunner A. McHugh, the Maine to the Vestal.

Chief Machinist C. S. Wolfe, naval training station, Great Lakes, January 10.

Chief Clerk W. H. Crap, the Birmingham to the Tallahassee.

Vessel Movements

The C-1, C-2, C-3, C-4, C-5, Polonez and Sovrem at Cattolobu.

The G-1 at Newport.

The Galveston at Manila.

The Raleigh at San Diego.

The Sacramento at Hampton Roads.

The Saturn and Yorktown at Mare Island.

The Sybil at Indian Head.

The Utah at New York.

The Cleveland has sailed from Corinto for Balboa.

The Noront will stop at Guam en route from San Francisco to Olongapo.

The Melville has been assigned to duty with the torpedo flotilla.

The Celtic will leave West Indian waters about the first of February for the Boston yard for docking.

From Boston the vessel will proceed to the New York yard and will leave that port about the 25th for Quantentino.

The Melville now at Philadelphia will leave about the 30th instant for Newport and New York.

Upon arrival of the Uncle at the naval station, New Orleans, the Peoria now at that station, will proceed to the naval station, Key West, to resume duty at that station.

Holiday Furlough

James J. Dwyer, telegraph operator at the commandant's office is enjoying a short furlough at Lowell, his former home.

Will Run Short of Money

A furlough is evident for the mechanics and helpers in the Industrial Department during the last days of the present month owing to a shortage of money for the repair work.

Will Not Test It Here

The navy department has decided not to give the big war balloon a trial at the local yard and the builders have been instructed to pack the same for shipment to the Pensacola yard where a test will be made at the aviation

FASHION

Some one had described fashion as "the art of making the many wear what is becoming only to the few."

There is wit if not wisdom in the definition.

Nevertheless, few men or women have the courage to utterly disregard the mode.

They want to be in sartorial tune with public opinion. They take it as a mark of knowing "what's what."

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FORD ILL THREATENED PNEUMONIA

Consults a Physician for First Time in His Life—May Not Go to Stockholm.

(Special to The Herald)

Christiana, Dec. 23—Finding that he was unable to shake off a severe cold that he contracted on the peace ship while enroute to Christiana, Henry Ford was compelled to call in a physician last night. Ford said it was the first time in his life he had called a doctor. The physician found the peace leader suffering with grippe and threatened with pneumonia.

The physician advised the distinguished leader that he should remain in bed and that he should not attempt to make the trip to Stockholm until after Christmas. As the doctor was leaving he said he hoped Mr. Ford would take his advice. The members of the party also urged Mr. Ford to remain here, saying that while the Oscar II would sail, there would be no event of importance in Stockholm until after Christmas.

Memorial services for Lloyd Birmingham who died here yesterday were held today on board the Oscar II. The body will be shipped to New York for interment.

CHIEF LANE OF MANCHESTER TO RETIRE

Oldest Fire Chief in Years of Service in the Country.

The ordinance passed by the board of aldermen of Manchester on Tuesday night, which places an age limit of 65 years upon all members of the Manchester fire department means the retirement on January 1, 1917 of Chief Thomas W. Lane, for 51 years a member of the Manchester fire fighting force and for 36 years its chief. With Chief Lane will go at least six captains and lieutenants, also a number of regular firemen.

The ordinance provides for the retirement on that date of all members of the department who have reached the age of 65 years, who are defective or not citizens of the U. S.

This ordinance compels the retirement of perhaps one of the oldest fire fighters both in point of service and age in the U. S. Chief Lane will be 75 years old next May.

PORTLAND DRY

Galeons Closed and Strict Enforcement Expected

Portland, Me., Dec. 22—Portland is dry tonight. This afternoon Chief of Police Bowen ordered all the saloons

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to close, and this evening not one seemed to be doing business.

Chief Bowen declined to be interviewed or to say if he had received orders from Mayor Chapman, but the lights in the saloons were all out in the so-called "liquor belt". Some think the chief will keep the bars closed until after the holidays, and others are of the opinion that a new era of strict enforcement has been inaugurated.

ELECT OFFICERS.

Spanish-American War Vets Name New Heads for 1916.

Camp Schley, United Spanish-American war veterans, have elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Commander—M. H. Daley.

Senior Vice Commander—I. H. Hewitt.

Junior Vice Commander—J. P. Kelly.

Officer of Day—Charles Bangay.

Outer Guard—T. H. Cummings.

Adjutant—H. W. Foster.

Quartermaster—W. H. Stevens.

Historian—George Frary.

Parade Instructor—J. E. Reaney.

Chaplain—John Doyle.

Sergeant-Major—Michael Mehan.

Quartermaster Sergeant—J. A. Le-

segue.

First Color Sergeant—J. Reagan.

Second Color Sergeant—Samuel Shields.

Trustees—R. N. Anderson, John H. Clifford, George Frary.

The newly elected commander is a very popular member of the organization. He served with Admiral Schley on the U. S. S. Brooklyn during the battle of Santiago, July 1, 1898. He was also with the U. S. troops during the Philippine insurrection, and served in China a expedition.

Joint installation of officers will be held on January 12, 1916 with Camp Schley Auxiliary, No. 1, who will have as their installing officer, Edith M. Lindh, Judge Advocate General of the National Auxiliary. Mrs. Lindh made many friends on her last visit to the local Auxiliary, who are strong for her as the next President-General, owing to her great interest in the welfare of the Veterans and their families, and her untiring efforts in all matters pertaining to the good of the organization in general. It is expected that Captain Commander James A. Corcoran of Concord will be present with his staff to install the officers of the camp.

The command added thirty seven new members during the past year.

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(Special to The Herald)

Washington, Dec. 23.—France will not reply to the State Department note of protest against the removal of Germans from American steamer by the French cruiser Deserentes until it has received word from the commander of the cruiser. Ambassador Sharpe notified the State Department today.

EDWARD TUCK SENDS CHECK FROM PARIS

Edward Tuck of Paris, France, who has been a benefactor to the state, whose magnificent building of the New Hampshire Historical Society in Concord, the John Tuck monument at the Isles of Shoals and his lavish gifts to Dartmouth College, are manifestations of his generosity and philanthropy, has still further remembered Concord by a check of \$100 toward the building fund of the First Methodist church.

The police blotter Thursday morning contained the names of three drunkards, two for breaking and entering, one for battery, two lodgers and one for cruelty to animals.

TWO MORE GERMAN AGENTS INDICTED

Koenig and Layendecker Are Charged With Conspiracy and Plotting.

(Special to The Herald)

New York, Dec. 23.—Paul Koenig and Richard Layendecker, two alleged German agents, were indicted today by a Federal grand jury. Koenig, who was said to have been in charge of the German secret service in this country, is charged with conspiracy to set on foot a military enterprise aimed at a country with which the United States is at peace. Layendecker was indicted on the charge of having plotted to blow up the Welland canal.

RUSSIANS DRIVING THROUGH PERSIA

(Special to The Herald)

Petrograd, Dec. 23.—Driving the enemy before them, a strong Russian force is advancing upon Teheran, capital of Persia. The Russians are being opposed by Kurds, Turks and strong detachments of the Persians, officered by Germans and Turks. It was announced today that Novara and Kurn had been captured by the Russians. The Russians are therefore about thirty miles from the Persian capital.

GERMAN TROOPS RECAPTURE HEIGHT

(Special to The Herald)

Berlin, Dec. 23.—German troops recaptured the summit of Hartmanns-Westerkopf in the Vosges on Wednesday. Part of the northern slope is still held by the French, but they are being driven out.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. James Bohan of Orchard street is visiting in Manchester.

Police Officer Frank H. West is in Boston consulting a specialist.

Robert J. Mitchell of Newmarket, state inspector of child labor, was here on Thursday.

Mr. William P. Robinson is still confined to his home on Pleasant street and is critically ill.

Harry E. Tolles leaves on Friday for South Norwalk, Conn., to pass the holiday season with his parents.

Benjamin F. Curtis who has been visiting at his former home at New Castle, returned to Lynn on Wednesday.

Miss Florence H. Ward of Smith college has arrived home to pass the Christmas recess with her father, Fred H. Ward.

Our well known citizen Thomas J. Mitchell of Hanover street is today quietly observing his 82d anniversary of his birth.

Mrs. Samuel Shaglow and young daughter of New Castle left on Wednesday to pass the Christmas season with relatives in Boston.

Passed Asst. Paymaster Dayton Fisher of the U. S. S. Tennessee and wife, left on Thursday for New York where they will pass the holiday season.

Miss Emma Helene Hartford of Smith's arrived home on Wednesday to pass the Christmas season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hartford.

Miss Frances Bates of Smith's arrived home on Wednesday to pass the holiday recess with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John X. Bates of Smith street.

Miss Doris Jeanne of Smith's college arrived home on Wednesday to pass the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis C. Beane of Newington.

Miss Louise French of Danna hall, Wellesley, Mass., has arrived home to pass the holiday season with her parents Mr. and Mrs. George E. French of Middle street.

William F. Harrington of Manchester, general manager of the Portsmouth Brewing Company was here on Thursday on business connected with that corporation.

Miss Editha Grant, a teacher at the Salem Normal school arrived home on Thursday to pass the holiday recess with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Flagg F. Grant of Richards avenue.

Miss Margaret Ballard, a student at Smith's is home for the holidays.

Frank D. Marshall of Portland, Me., was a visitor here on Thursday.

Justin C. Ballou, who has been visiting in Providence, R. I., has arrived home.

Miss Edith Hasbrook of Woonsocket, R. I., is passing a few days in this city.

Miss Nellie Thompson of Norfolk, Va., is passing the holiday season in this city.

Frank Fehrbahn of Harvard Medical College is passing the holiday recess with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Fehrbahn.

Mrs. R. R. Allen and daughter Electa left on Thursday for Auburndale, Mass., to pass Christmas with Mrs. G. P. Austin.

Col. Alfred F. Howard, secretary of the Granite State Insurance Company, arrived back on Thursday from a business trip to New York.

Mrs. Horace P. Montgomery and children are passing the holiday season with friends in New York. Mr. Montgomery leaves on Friday night to join them over the week-end.

Karl Pothansber, day clerk at the Kearnsberg is enjoying a two weeks' vacation and left on Thursday for Bristol, N. H., to pass Christmas.

John Hayes, the well known Civil war veteran, is enjoying a furlough from the Soldiers' Home at Tilton, N. H., and will pass the same with his daughter, Mrs. C. Edgar Hoyt.

GRIFFE COLDS ARE EPIDEMIC IN U. S.

(Special to The Herald)

Washington, Dec. 23.—An epidemic of grippa and colds is sweeping the U. S., according to the public health service.

The service has no figures on the number of sufferers from these winter diseases, but its agents have notified the headquarters that this winter shows a large increase in the number of affected persons.

POLICE COURT.

Joseph Spanney, a local truckman, was before Judge Gippsill in the police court today on a complaint of George Macdonald, an officer of the S. P. C. A., which charged him with cruelty to animals. The court gave him a suspended sentence of 30 days in jail and ordered him to pay costs of \$7.27.

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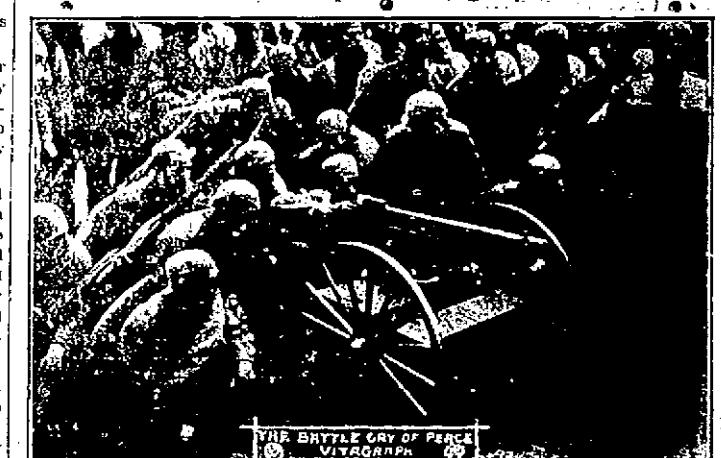
worth, Springvale; Brackett, Shaw & Lupt Co., Somersworth; G. A. Bachelder, North Hampton. Other creditors have been filed with the clerk of the U. S. district court at Portland by Thomas J. Donahue of York, laborer, habili-ties \$235, assets \$25. Principal creditors listed are, Elmer E. Went-

Train travel was exceedingly heavy Thursday morning.

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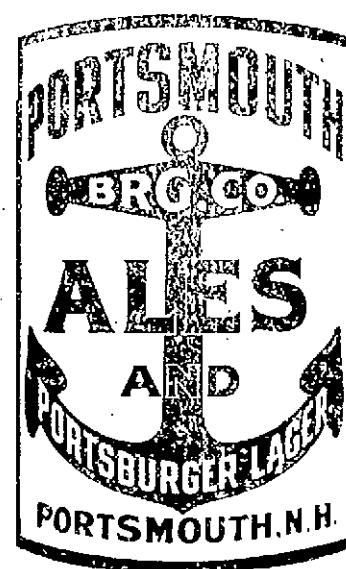
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UNITED STATES TO EQUAL ANY NAVY

**Plan to Have Strongest Navy in World by 1925
If Policy is Carried Out.**

Washington, Dec. 22.—The American navy should be "equal to the most powerful maintained by any other nation of the world" not later than 1925, in the opinion of the Navy Board, headed by Admiral Dewey. The annual report of the board, made public last night, discloses that this naval policy was formulated by the body in July last in answer to the following proposition propounded by Secretary Daniels when the Administration reached its decision to suffer upon a campaign of national preparedness.

"What the navy must be in the future in order to stand upon an equality with the most efficient and most practically serviceable."

The board's conclusions follow:

"The navy of the United States should ultimately be equal to the most powerful maintained by any other nation of the world. It should be gradually increased to this point by such a rate of development year by year, as may be permitted by the facilities of the country, but the limit above defined should be attained not later than 1925."

At the same time the board presented a building program for 1917 in compliance with the secretary's request for a programme formulated in the most definite terms; planned for a consistent and progressive development of this great defensive arm of the nation."

Details of the board's reply are not revealed, as subsequently, in October, of this year, the secretary asked the board to prepare a building program

defensive needs of the United States. Our present navy is not sufficient to give due weight to the diplomatic remonstrances of the United States in peace, nor to enforce its policies in war."

NEW SYSTEM FOR PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

Gen. Howard Will Have Surgeons Make Report on Each Recruit Examined.

Concord, Dec. 22.—Adjutant General Charles W. Howard has worked out a new system of conducting the physical examination of officers and enlisted men in the state militia. It will go into effect January 1 and under its provisions the department will be more fully informed at all times of the condition of the men than under the present system.

Up to the present the surgeons have made a quarterly report, but General Howard's new plan requires the surgeon to take note of each recruit examined, and the company and date of the examination. Reports must be forwarded to the adjutant general's office on the first day of every month, the report covering expenses and their services. A list of the recruits examined must also accompany the list as a voucher.

Quarterly reports will no longer be required. Books have been forwarded to each organization commander which are officially designated "Combined enlistment and physical examination blank (new form number 1)" with orders that they be used at the beginning of the new year.

RICH LEAVES THE BOSTON & MAINE R. R.

Has Been General Solicitor of Road for Twenty Years.

Edgar J. Rich, for the past five years general solicitor of the Boston and Maine railroad, has resigned to enter private practice. President Hastings says the position will not be filled, that Chas S. Pierce will continue as general attorney, and that a new position, the incumbent of which will relieve the president of some of his present responsibilities will be announced.

Mr. Rich has been connected with the Boston and Maine road in various advisory capacities for the past 20 years. His most notable achievement was in connection with the interstate commerce commission's investigation into the New England railroad situation soon after the New Haven acquisition of control of the Boston and Maine. He introduced evidence to the effect that the railroad's trouble was due largely to insufficient substance; and so well was this evidence presented in subsequent hearings before the commission, that substantial increases in local rates were gained.

WHAT'S THE REASON?

Many Portsmouth People in Poor Health Without Knowing the Cause.

There are scores of people who drag out a miserable existence without realizing the cause of their suffering. Day after day they are racked with backache and headache; suffer from nervousness, dizziness, weakness, languor and depression. Perhaps the kidneys have fallen behind in their work of filtering the blood and that may be the root of the trouble. Look to your kidneys, assist them in their work—give them the help they need. You can use no more highly recommended remedy than Dean's Kidney Pills—endorsed by people all over the country and by your neighbors in Portsmouth.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, Rockingham, ss. Court of Probate. To all persons interested in the estate of Henry Frank Marden, late of Portsmouth, in said County, deceased, intestate.

Henry Frank Marden, the administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented for allowance the final account of her administration upon the estate of said deceased.

Witness, LOUIS G. HOYT, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this eighth day of December, A. D. 1915.

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No. 10-17-21

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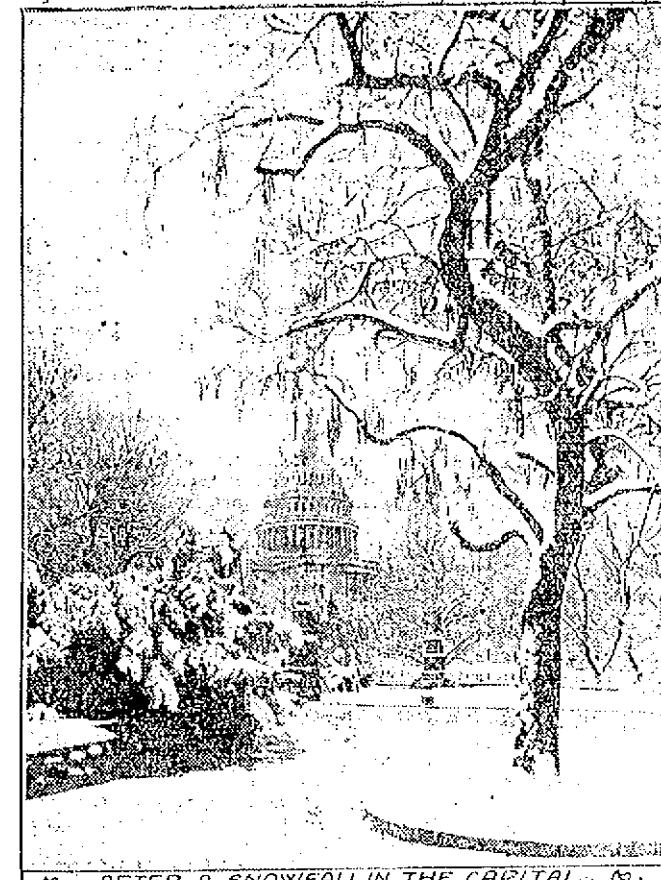
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AFTER A SNOWFALL IN THE CAPITAL.

Washington, the nation's capital, is charming in any season of the year, save perhaps when intense summer heat and humidity afflict the sightseer and resident. But when winter makes fairland of the trees which adorn Washington so plentifully and the clear, if wintry, sunshine affords sharp views of noble buildings and dignified prospects, Washington well worth seeing. This picture shows the capital as seen in its winter setting after the first considerable snowfall of the winter in Washington.

BOWLING

AM CARELESSNESS. — Holyoke Transcript.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Many in This City Among Those Recorded for the County.

Real estate transactions recorded in Rockingham county this week are:

Harold H. Bennett, Portsmouth, to Money Button Manufacturing Co., land and buildings on Middle street; Joseph T. Elliot, Portsmouth, to Isaac Brown, Methuen, Mass., pasture and field land; Henry S. Bond, Rye, to Anna T. Crowell, land and buildings; John Walker, Newmarket, to Alfred Connor, Newfields, land in Orlands; Herbert F. Dunn, Exeter, to Frank Rozarke, land on Washington street; Pringle Mazurkine, Exeter, to Mary Mazurkine, undivided half of land; George W. Pearson, Portsmouth, to Adolph C. Anderson, land in Portsmouth; Joseph C. Adams, Portsmouth, to Alice H. Reinwald and Alice H. Green, land; Clarence W. Hall, Exeter, to Charles E. Hall, undivided half in real estate; Clarence H. Whittier, Newington, to Clarence M. Thompson, land in Newton; Andrew J. Brown, Fremont to Charles H. Brown, land and buildings; Susan B. Smith, Portsmouth, to Abby R. Bean, land and buildings; Clara A. P. Billbruck, Hampton, to Emma F. P. Jacobs, Alton, Mass., land in Hampton near "Hammond's," so called; Carrie Boutcher, Plainfield, to Edward F. Carter, land and buildings; Joseph E. Campbell, Hampton, to E. G. Cole, field land in Hampton; Joseph E. Tasker, Canton, Me., to George P. Lane, Exeter, land in Hampton.

Team No. 1

Flynn 104 99 100-303

Curtis 92 101 98-294

Loring 81 55 78-211

217 288 276 811

Team No. 6

Fenwick 82 95 111-291

Dwyer 81 101 79-261

Chaney 81 97 78-256

211 296 265 808

Team No. 2

Fernald 99 91 109-293

Schofield 98 103 89-299

Dondero 76 79 79-231

261 276 272 817

Kirvan 78 80 78-231

Wiborn 83 96 96-275

C. Blake 87 84 71-212

252 260 239 751

Commercial League

In the Commercial League game Ben's clerks were defeated by the "No Equals" last evening. The game was won by only two points, the "No Equals" winning the third string and the total pinfall by two pins, losing the first string and tying the second. Holton rolled 301 as high for the losing team, Clapp, with 292, making the honors for the winners. The summaries:

No Equals

Philbrick 92 79 80-251

Clapp 100 92 100-292

Clark 84 94 99-277

276 265 270 820

Benfield's

Shangle 72 87 79-239

Jordan 96 86 96-278

Holland 121 92 88-301

290 265 263 815

WHO AM I?

I am more powerful than the combined armies of the world, I have destroyed more men than all of the wars of the world. I am more deadly than bullets and I have wrecked more homes than the mightiest of sieges guns. I stand in the U. S. alone more than \$60,000,000 each year. I spare no one and I find my victims among rich and strong and weak, widows and orphans know me. I look up to such propertipens that I cast my shadows over every field of labor from the turning of the grindstone to the moving of every railroad train. I massacre thousands on thousands of waste carriers in a year. I lurk in unseen places and do most of my work silently. You are warned against me, but you heed me not. I am relentless. I am everywhere. In the home, on the streets, in the factory, at railroad crossings on the seas, I bring sickness, degradation and death and yet few seek to avoid me. I destroy and maim. I give nothing, but take all. I am your worst enemy.

CHRISTMAS RUSH CAUSED DELAY OF FIRST PERFORMANCE

"THE BATTLE CRY OF PEACE" AT THE PORTSMOUTH THEATRE POSTPONED FROM WEDNESDAY UNTIL TODAY

That the opening of the "Battle Cry of Peace" had to be postponed from yesterday until today was a severe disappointment to the management of the Portsmouth Theatre, as well as to a large number of patrons who had made reservations for seats at the matinee or evening performances. The postponement was unavoidable as well as disappointing but at a late hour last evening it was stated that everything was in readiness to open here this afternoon without fail. The management also stated that tickets dated for yesterday would be honored today.

"The Battle Cry of Peace" requires considerable mechanical equipment for the effects of the drama and owing to the Christmas rush now tying up the express companies the delivery of much of this equipment was delayed. Several of the reels of film were also very late and although a performance might have been given it was decided by the management that it was preferable to delay the opening as long as it couldn't be presented in its entirety. All of the film had arrived in time for the evening performance but much of the mechanical equipment was further delayed until late in the evening, too late to be set and used if the performance had started.

The musical director, who had planned setting here in the morning was delayed and did not arrive in the city until late in the afternoon, thus making it impossible to have the necessary rehearsal as planned.

Many of the officers from the ships stationed here and from the navy yard, had made reservations for seats as did many of the citizens of the city. All of these reservations will be honored by the theatre this afternoon or evening as the patrons may desire.

MAN AND WIFE RUN FOR SAME OFFICE; SHE WINS.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 22.—J. Clark, city clerk, candidate for re-election, was defeated by his wife, who ran on non-partisan ticket. Clark was doing 15 hours' work a day.

A lazy liver leads to chronic dyspepsia and constipation—weakens the whole system. Dean's Regulets (25¢ per box) act mildly on the liver and bowels. At all drug stores.

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Try Harmon's Tomato Sausages.

There is an increasing activity at Freeman's Point.

Ladies' Suits, latest styles, marked down at Geo. B. French Co., hc d20, 1w.

Fish of all kinds at Clark's Branch, Tel. 188.

Don't make any dates for New Year's Eve unless you want to miss a good time at the public celebration.

Lobsters and sea-fish of all kinds caught by our own boats, fresh every day. R. Jameson and Sons, Tel. 245.

We make special prices to churches for their ice cream and candy for the Xmas tree. Paras Bros., Tel. 29.

The boxing fans are all primed for the coming bouts slated for the first week in January.

Upholstering, matresses removed. Margeson Bros., Tel. 870.

Nuts, raisins, dates and figs for the Xmas dinner at Paras Brothers, Tel. 29.

The open stores last evening brought out a good number of the late shoppers who took advantage of the fine evening.

The operators of the New England telephone exchange are to hold their annual Christmas tree on Friday evening.

Place your order for your Christmas ice cream, nine varieties. Paras Bros., Congress street, Tel. 29.

There is every indication of a big storm coming but we hope that we are a poor weather guesser.

Order your ice cream early of Paras Brothers and avoid disappointment, Tel. 29.

A hurry call for an officer at the Chinese restaurant last evening marked the end of a lively rough-house which lasted several minutes.

Our assortment of broken candy for the Christmas tree is very large. We make special prices to churches and Sunday school. Nichols, Tel. 142-W.

The High school graduation class is looking forward with considerable pleasure to the annual benefit concert and dance on December 30.

MACHINISTS OF PORTSMOUTH, N. H.—Keep away from Worcester, Mass., Strike still on. International Association of Machinists. Tel. 223, 2t.

Our line of fancy box candy for Christmas gifts is not equalled in the city. Paras Bros., Congress street, Tel. 29.

The local markets are carrying an exceptionally fine line of turkeys and geese for the holidays. The prices are more reasonable than at Thanksgiving time.

When you place your order for Xmas ice cream with Nichols you are assured of getting the best. A trial will convince you of that fact. Tel. 142-W.

The Christmas trade is reported by all of the merchants to be exceptionally good and this is proven by a trip around through the business district during the afternoon and evening.

Nichols' candy store window contains an attractive display of fancy box candies, just the thing for an Xmas gift.

One hundred and fifty members of the crew of the U. S. Armored Cruiser Tennessee were given liberty to go to their homes for the holiday season and took the early afternoon train for Boston.

The indications are that the less fortunate families of the city will be well remembered this Christmas. Local organizations are providing Christmases baskets and the city has been pretty well listed.

The attractive display of fancy box candies in the windows of the Dore Confectionery store is the talk of the town. Nothing better to give as an Xmas present to a friend or relative. Don't fail to inspect them before purchasing.

DEER TRIED TO CROSS BRIDGE

Frightened by Workmen He Jumps Into River and Swims to Eliot.

A large buck deer appeared at Dover Point on Wednesday afternoon, where the animal attempted to cross the highway bridge to Newington. When part way across the structure it took fright at the men watching there and jumped into the river and headed for the Eliot shore.

Arriving on the opposite side the animal was prevented from getting on land by some ice on the shore and immediately turned back and swam to Dover Point where it succeeded in getting on land and soon disappeared in the nearby forests.

THE HERALD HEARS

That the new coal system at the docks of the Consolidation Coal Co., loads a twenty-five ton car in a little over two minutes.

That the American Express Company has added four extra hands at the local office during the Christmas rush.

That the board of engineers of the fire department have made a tour of inspection in the business section of the city in the interest of fire prevention and ordered a clean-up in several places.

That the board of health of New York will permit horse meat as food after January 1.

That old horses hereafter will be fatted up for the butcher instead of being sold for their bones.

That the health officers say the horse never has tuberculosis and never commutes a malignant disease to human beings.

That a well known navy yard workman is ready for a good laugh every time he tells this story.

That he started one day recently to come to his home in this city via the government ferry from the navy yard.

That he fell into a sound sleep in the cabin of the boat and rode back and forth across the river for two hours.

That when he did wake up he got off on the navy yard side, and started to go home.

That he had gone quite a distance before he discovered that there was another trip due him.

That he made the final sail across the Piscataqua with his eyes wide open.

That his wife became alarmed at his non-appearance and worked the telephone to hunt him up.

That she is still smiling over the continuous voyage of her hubby on the river.

That Charles A. Allen and Norman H. Beane will pass Sunday at Rollins Farm, boating over the fast trotting stock owned by a well known summer resident from this city.

RECOVERING FROM OPERATION

Miss Jda Pools of this city one of the nursing corps at the Maine General hospital, Portland, who has been very ill as the result of an operation at that institution is reported to be improving.

THE SCENIC HIGH STREET

High Class Features.

THE HOUSE OF REFINEMENT

PROGRAM FOR Wednesday and Thursday

"WHO PAYS?"

Sixth Question—Three reels.

"Houses of Glass"

The Theme—Wherein is recounted how idle gossip begat scandal, scandal doubt, doubt jealousy, and jealousy tragedy. Also of a woman who loved, but not enough, of a man who believed but not enough, and of another who reaped what he had not sowed. Not only to amuse, but to instruct; not merely to cause pleasure, but to create thought—that is "Who Pays?" Greatest serial of drama ever produced.

Herbert Rawlinson in ON THE LEVEL Two reels.

Charles Ogle in THE MEDDLER Two reels.

Sydney Ayres in THE MAN FROM ARGENTINE Two reels.

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Special Features for Friday and Xmas—Daniel Frohman presents "May Blossom," photo-adaptation of David Belasco's Great Stage Success in four reels. Mary Fuller in "Lil Nor' Wester," three reels. "The Broken Coin," two reels.

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